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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR EXAMINERS COMMITTEE

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| IN THE MATTER OF | : | |
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| MARTHA HALDOPOULOS | : | Administrative Action |
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| Unlicensed to Practice | : | CONSENT ORDER |
| Professional Counseling | : | |
| In the State of New Jersey | : | |
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This matter was opened to the New Jersey Professional Counselor Examiners Committee ("the Committee") upon receipt of information that from approximately 1992 to 2000 Martha Haldopoulos ("respondent") provided counseling services in a private practice setting at the Counseling Center of Morristown in Morristown, New Jersey. It appears to the Committee that for approximately eight years, respondent engaged in the independent private practice of psychotherapy despite the fact that she has not held any license,

including as a Professional Counselor, which would entitle her to provide such services in New Jersey.

Having reviewed the entire record, it appears to the Committee that respondent has engaged in the unlicensed practice of professional counseling in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:8B-39 by having advertised and/or engaged in offering counseling services to the public which she was not legally authorized to engage in or to offer.

It appearing that respondent desires to resolve this matter without any admission of wrongdoing and without recourse to formal proceedings and for good cause shown:

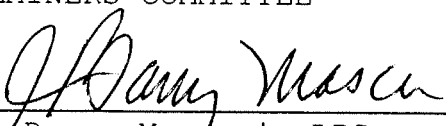
IT IS ON THIS ^{23rd} DAY OF ~~December~~ 2002,

HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED THAT:

1. Respondent agrees to come under the jurisdiction of the Committee in this matter.
2. Respondent shall immediately cease and desist from offering to provide and providing any counseling services in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:8B-39 unless and until such time as she is duly licensed.
3. Respondent is hereby assessed a civil penalty in the amount of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00).
4. Respondent shall pay the costs of the investigation in the amount of two thousand, one hundred and eighty-eight dollars (\$2,188.00).

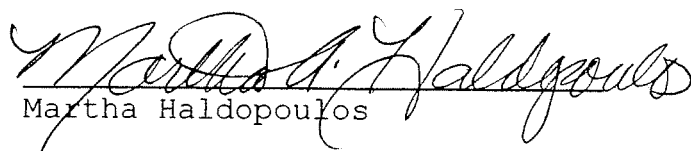
5. Respondent shall pay the above penalty and costs, totaling seven thousand, one hundred and eighty-eight dollars (7,188.00), in fourteen, consecutive, monthly payments with the first payment being in the amount of six hundred and eighty-eight dollars (\$688.00) and the remaining thirteen payments each being in the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500.00). The first payment shall be due on or before ~~November~~ ^{DECEMBER} 15, 2002, and the remaining thirteen payments shall be due on or before the fifteenth day of each month until the penalty is paid in full. Payment shall be by certified check or money order, payable to the State of New Jersey, and sent to Dennis Gonzalez, Executive Director, Professional Counselor Examiners Committee, P.O. Box 45044, Newark, New Jersey 07101. If any payment is untimely, the full amount shall be immediately due and payable.

NEW JERSEY PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS
EXAMINERS COMMITTEE



J. Barry Mascari, LPC
President

I have read the within Consent Order and understand its terms. I hereby consent to entry of the Consent Order and to be bound by its terms.



Martha Haldopoulos